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Representative Frey Reappointed to Leadership Position



Will Serve On Three Legislative Committees

HARTFORD--State Representative John H. Frey, R-Ridgefield, has been reappointed by House Minority Leader Robert M. Ward, R-North Branford, to the post of Assistant Minority Leader in the House of

Representatives. He was elected to his fourth term representing the 111th District, comprised of the Town of Ridgefield, on November 2.

Rep. Frey's duties will include developing legislative strategy and having direct input on policy issues, particularly those working to improve the quality of life in southwestern Connecticut. Also, he will work with fellow caucus members to build consensus on issues before the General Assembly.

"It is an honor to be appointed to this position," said Rep. Frey. "My previous two years serving as Assistant Minority Leader provided a stronger position to influence legislation to help the people of Ridgefield on matters of importance to them."

Rep. Frey added that he looks forward to participating in the dialogue dealing with the state's current budget situation with the focus being on reducing state spending. He was also appointed to serve on the Legislature's Finance Revenue and Bonding Committee, Commerce Committee and Insurance and Real Estate Committee.

In addition, Rep. Frey has been reappointed to serve on the Legislature's Office of Policy and Management (OPM) Bonding Subcommittee and the Transportation Bonding Subcommittee. These two subcommittees review all capital and bonding expenditures and projects. He has previously served as Ranking Member (Republican Leader) of the General Assembly's Labor and Public Employees Committee.

The Finance Committee has jurisdiction over all matters relating to finance, revenue, capital bonding, fees and taxation. The committee also has cognizance over employer contributions for unemployment compensation and all matters relating to the Department of Revenue Services and the revenue aspects of the Division of Special Revenue.

The Commerce Committee has of all matters relating to the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut Development Authority and Connecticut

Innovations, Incorporated. The Insurance and Real Estate Committee has cognizance of all matters relating to insurance law and real estate law.